



Daily Reflections

March 3, 2018

Scripture

Micah 7: 14-15, 18-20

Shepherd your people with your staff,
the flock of your inheritance,
That dwells apart in a woodland,
in the midst of Carmel.
Let them feed in Bashan and Gilead,
as in the days of old;
As in the days when you came from the land of Egypt,
show us wonderful signs.
Who is there like you, the God who removes guilt
and pardons sin for the remnant of his inheritance;
Who does not persist in anger forever,
but delights rather in clemency,
And will again have compassion on us,
treading underfoot our guilt?
You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins;
You will show faithfulness to Jacob,
and grace to Abraham,
As you have sworn to our fathers
from days of old.

Our Scripture Reflection

The Prophet Micah prophecies about a day after the Exile when God's people will be restored. Even though the Exile was a bitter fifty year experience, the new day that Micah sees in the future will be one when true Peace comes to God's people. Micah reminds us that even though His people can be unfaithful, God will always be faithful and True.

Food for your Journey

Imagine yourself as a living house. God comes to rebuild that house. At first, perhaps, you can understand what he is doing. He is getting the drains right and stopping the leaks in the roof and so on; you knew that those jobs needed doing and so you are not surprised. But presently he starts knocking the house about in a way that hurts abominably and does not seem to make any sense. What on earth is he up to? The explanation is that [God] is building quite a different house from the one you thought of -- throwing out a new wing here, putting on an extra floor there, running up towers, making courtyards. You thought you were being made into a decent little cottage: but [God] is building a palace. He intends to come and live in it himself."

--C.S. Lewis, Mere Christianity.

A Prayer from the Heart

Gracious Father, Even though Your people can be unfaithful and ungrateful, You are always faithful to us. When we sin against You, help us to remember the many times when You were generous to us and gave us what we did not deserve. Make us grateful and humble. Amen